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In re application of

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Toshiki TAGUCHI, et al.

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For: INK SET FOR INK JET AND INK JET RECORDING METHOD

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2006, the period of response to which has been extended for one month by a concurrently filed Petition for Extension of Time and attached fee, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 11 and 13 are all the claims pending in the application.

Claims 1, 6-11 and 13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by the newly cited U.S. Patent Publication 2001/0050700 to Smith et al.

Applicants submit that Smith et al do not disclose or render obvious the subject matter of claims 1 and 6 to 11 and 13 and, accordingly, request withdrawal of this rejection.

The present invention as set forth in claim 1 is directed to an ink set comprising at least four kinds of inks including colorless ink, wherein at least one ink of the at least four kinds of